HB 1962 -- BOAT TITLE AND REGISTRATION FEES

SPONSOR: Conway (104)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on State and Local Government by a vote of 10 to 0.

Currently, the first \$2,000,000 collected annually from boat title and registration fees is deposited into the State General Revenue Fund, with the remainder going to the Water Patrol Division of the State Highway Patrol. This bill changes that requirement to having the first \$1,000,000 collected annually from boat title and registration fees be deposited into the State General Revenue Fund. All fees collected in excess of that must be deposited into the Water Patrol Division Fund to be used exclusively for the Water Patrol Division of the State Highway Patrol.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this is important because it would allow the water patrol to properly do its job.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Conway.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.